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Crop Progress and Condition



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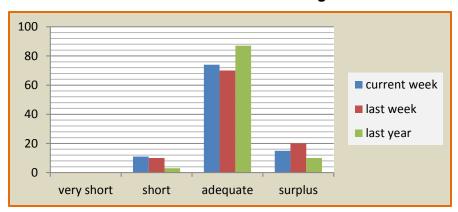
<u>Agricultural News:</u> Days suitable for fieldwork were 5.4. Weather conditions were hotter this week, but many farmers are still fighting soft soils and slips from the excessive winter rains. Farming activities this week included planting corn and soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/13/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus	
	%	%	%	%	
Topsoil	-	11	74	15	
Subsoil	-	15	71	14	
Hay & Roughage	5	26	63	6	
Feed grain	1	16	83	-	

⁻Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 05/13/18



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/13/18

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	23	67	9
Peaches	-	3	31	66	-
Hay	2	9	24	62	3
Winter Wheat	-	3	30	57	10
Pasture	1	21	35	35	8
Cattle & Calves	-	-	32	62	6
Sheep & Lambs	-	1	29	63	7

⁻ Represents zero.

CROP and LIVESTOCK PROGRESS for week ending 05/13/18

Crop/Livestock Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg	
	%	%	%	%	
Corn planted	21	12	25	25	
Corn emerged	4	-	12	10	
Soybeans planted	14	5	17	12	
Winter Wheat headed	25	15	55	30	
Calved	95	93	96	98	

⁻ Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 13, 2018

West Virginia's state average temperature increased this week; above average temperatures occurred all through the week across the State. Summertime like high temperatures mostly in the upper 80s were recorded multiple days. This was the first time this calendar year that no low temperatures dropped to below freezing. The low temperatures did not even drop into the 30s. All stations were five to nine degrees over normal. Precipitation amounts across the State varied greatly from the North to the South. Most Northern stations recorded over one inch of precipitation, while sites located anywhere South of the far Northern tier of counties recorded almost no precipitation. This difference was due to thunderstorm activity crossing the Northern part of the State while storms were isolated elsewhere. No climate stations reached their weekly normal. Several stations recorded below a tenth of an inch.

<u>Temperatures</u>: Martinsburg had the highest recorded temperature of 93 degrees. Beckley had the lowest recorded temperature of 42 degrees. The state average temperature was 67 degrees.

<u>Precipitation:</u> Morgantown had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 1.24 inches. Charleston had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.04 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.48 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/13/18

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	Temperature			Precipitation					
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Station	High	Low	Average	Departure	Total	Norm	2018	Last Year	Normal
NORTHWEST									
WHEELING	85	48	66		1.11		6.79	6.98	
PARKERSBURG	87	48	68	7	0.25	0.95	6.36	7.46	5.20
CRESTON	88	45	68		0.17		6.17	6.07	
NORTHCENTRAL									
MORGANTOWN	87	50	67		1.24		8.14	9.33	
CLARKSBURG	87	46	67	7	0.35	0.97	8.02	8.69	5.51
BELINGTON	86	44	67		0.41		7.73	8.16	
WESTON	88	47	68		0.08		8.20	9.39	
SOUTHWEST									
WILLIAMSON	91	54	71		0.67		6.44	9.46	
HUNTINGTON	88	52	70	7	0.17	1.03	5.14	4.34	5.56
CHARLESTON	88	48	69	7	0.04	1.06	6.09	8.81	5.36
RIPLEY	88	45	68		0.17		5.97	6.12	
CENTRAL									
TERRA ALTA	79	44	62		1.19		9.38	10.59	
ELKINS	84	46	66	9	0.30	1.17	7.58	7.42	6.13
MARLINTON	87	43	64		0.25		7.59	7.85	
SOUTHERN									
BECKLEY	83	42	63	5	0.07	1.03	6.06	7.95	5.45
PINEVILLE	87	49	68		0.13		6.94	10.50	
BLUEFIELD	82	43	66	5	0.26	0.93	5.54	10.35	5.26
WHITE SUL SP	86	43	66		0.19		6.97	7.36	
BLUESTONE DAM	85	49	68		0.41		6.12	9.97	
NORTHEASTERN									
MARTINSBURG	93	47	66	7	0.90	0.93	5.90	9.88	5.28
KEYSER	92	43	66		1.22		7.11	7.82	
MOOREFIELD	88	46	67		1.08		7.00	5.97	

State Average Temperature 67 State Average Precipitation 0.48

Source:

Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.